USER INTERFACE SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR MULTI-FUNCTION CONSUMER ENTERTAINMENT APPLIANCES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A user interface system, method and computer program product permits selection of predetermined device application modes in a television set system and checking the activation status of other application modes. If active modes are identified which are incompatible with the selected active mode, then these other active modes are halted. If compatible active modes are identified, then these remain concurrently active, with particularized adaptations being made. The user interface is particularly adapted for use with a set-top box environment using a TV set as a user display.